

HOUSE BILL 32

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ENROLLED BILL

-- Commerce and Government Matters/Judicial Proceedings --

Introduced by **Delegates Hutchins, Mitchell, and Linton**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County - Highways - Prohibition on Use for Solicitations**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the ~~State Highway Administration or a local~~
4 ~~authority~~ County Commissioners of Charles County to prohibit the use of a
5 controlled access highway in the county's jurisdiction by a person soliciting
6 money, donations, employment, business, or a ride from an occupant of a vehicle
7 on the controlled access highway; ~~prohibiting, except under certain~~
8 ~~circumstances, a person from standing in a roadway to solicit money or~~
9 ~~donations from an occupant of a vehicle; prohibiting, in Charles County, a~~
10 person from standing in a roadway, median divider, or intersection to solicit ~~a~~
11 ~~ride, employment, business, money, money~~ or donations from an occupant of a
12 vehicle; and generally relating to restrictions on the use of highways in Charles
13 County for solicitation.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
15 Article - Transportation
16 Section 21-101(d)

1 Annotated Code of Maryland
2 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

3 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
4 Article - Transportation
5 Section 21-313 and 21-507
6 Annotated Code of Maryland
7 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
9 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

10 **Article - Transportation**

11 21-101.

12 (d) "Controlled access highway" means a highway or roadway to or from which
13 persons, including the owners or occupants of abutting lands, have no right of access
14 except at the points and in the manner determined by the public authority with
15 jurisdiction over the highway or roadway.

16 21-313.

17 (a) The State Highway Administration, by order, or any local authority, by
18 ordinance, may prohibit the use of any controlled access highway in its jurisdiction by
19 parades, funeral processions, bicycles, or other nonmotorized traffic ~~{ or }~~; by any
20 person operating a motorcycle, ~~OR~~.

21 (B) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, BY ORDINANCE,
22 MAY PROHIBIT THE USE OF ANY CONTROLLED ACCESS HIGHWAY IN THE COUNTY'S
23 JURISDICTION BY ANY PERSON TO SOLICIT MONEY, DONATIONS OF ANY KIND,
24 EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS, OR A RIDE FROM THE OCCUPANT OF ANY VEHICLE ON THE
25 CONTROLLED ACCESS HIGHWAY.

26 ~~(b)~~ (C) The State Highway Administration or the local authority adopting
27 any prohibition under ~~subsection (a)~~ of this section shall place and maintain signs on
28 the controlled access highway to which the prohibition is applicable. If signs are so
29 placed, a person may not disobey the restrictions stated on them.

30 21-507.

31 (a) Except for the occupant of a disabled vehicle who seeks the aid of another
32 vehicle, a person may not stand in a roadway, ~~MEDIAN DIVIDER, OR INTERSECTION~~ to
33 solicit a ride, employment, ~~for~~ business, ~~MONEY, OR DONATIONS OF ANY KIND~~ from
34 the occupant of any vehicle.

35 (b) A person may not stand on or near a highway to solicit any other person to
36 watch or guard any vehicle while it is parked or about to be parked on a highway.

1 (C) IN CHARLES COUNTY, A PERSON MAY NOT STAND IN A ROADWAY, MEDIAN
2 DIVIDER, OR INTERSECTION TO SOLICIT MONEY OR DONATIONS OF ANY KIND FROM
3 THE OCCUPANT OF A VEHICLE.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 ~~October~~ June 1, 2001.